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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

IN RE:	§	Chapter 11
GMI USA MANAGEMENT, INC., et al <sup>1</sup>	§ §	CASE NO
Debtors.	8	(Joint Administration Requested)

# DECLARATION OF JUSTIN KNOWLES IN SUPPORT OF ORIGINAL PETITIONS, FIRST DAY PLEADINGS AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH LOCAL BANKRUPTCY 1007-2

JUSTIN KNOWLES declares as follows:

- 1. My name is Justin Knowles, and I am a principal of Dean Marine Advisers, a consultancy engaged in maritime advisory, recovery and investment consulting work. I have been retained as the Chief Restructuring Officer of the Debtors herein.
- 2. I am generally familiar with the Debtors' operations, business affairs and books and records. As more fully described in the sections below, the Debtors and certain non-debtor affiliates, are engaged in three segments of the dry bulk shipping markets, utilizing Freight

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these Chapter 11 cases consists of GMI USA Management, Inc., Global Maritime Investments Holdings Cyprus Limited, Global Maritime Investments Vessel Holdings Pte. Limited, Global Maritime Investments Cyprus Limited and Global Maritime Investments Resources (Singapore) Pte. Limited.

Forward Agreements ("FFAs"), physical "trading" or supplying of ships for hire, and management of a dry bulk shipping pool on behalf of ships owned directly or indirectly by the Debtors, as well as for third party owners.

- 3. On the date of filing of this Declaration (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York, Manhattan Division (the "Court"). The Debtors are operating their businesses and managing their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to §§1107 and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. No trustee, examiner or official committee has been appointed in any of these cases.
- 4. The overwhelming majority of the Debtors' currently known obligations are compromised of funded debt, in the form of several tranches of unsecured loans as described below. There is no secured debt, other than the possibility of maritime liens, and a relatively small amount of trade debt. There are potential claims from owners of ships for future charter hire, which may be significant. There is no prepetition committee.
- 5. Debtor GMI USA Management, Inc. is a recently formed New York corporation. All of the other Debtors are foreign corporations, and all of the Debtors are based in either Singapore or Cyprus. By its very nature, shipping is a worldwide business. The Debtors' ships regularly call on U.S. ports, and various of the Debtors have been involved in litigation in the United States District Courts for the Southern District of New York, and the Southern District of Texas both as either plaintiff or defendant.
- 6. To minimize disruption to their international operations and preserve the value of their businesses, the Debtors have filed motions with this Court requesting standard "first-day" relief

(collectively, the "First Day Motions"). I am familiar with the contents of each First Day Motion (including the exhibits thereto).

7. I submit this declaration in support of the First Day Motions pursuant to Local Rule 1007-2. The information required by the Rule is set forth below, or attached to the Original Petitions. Except as otherwise indicated, all facts set forth in this declaration are based upon my personal knowledge, my review of information supplied to me by other members of the Debtors' management and professionals, my review of relevant documents, or my experience with, and knowledge of, the shipping industry generally, and the Debtors' operations and financial condition. If called as a witness, I could and would testify competently to the facts set forth herein. I am authorized to speak on behalf of the Debtors with respect to the matters covered herein.

#### BACKGROUND

- 8. The Debtors formed their business in 2011 through the purchase by Debtor Global Maritime Investments Cyprus Limited ("Cyprus Tradeco") of non-Debtor Global Maritime Investments Limited ("GMI Ltd."), a physical and futures maritime freight fund formed in 2006 and managed through a management company by Messrs. Stuart Rae and Stephen Rodley (together with Paul Barbour, the business's chief financial officer, the "UK Principals"). The Debtors' business operates as a joint venture arrangement (the "Joint Venture") among the UK Principals and certain investors. The Joint Venture is governed by a joint venture agreement (as supplemented and amended from time to time, the "JVA"). During the period 2011 through 2012, the Debtors employed a fleet of over 60 vessels, all of which were "chartered in" to the Debtors.
- 9. In each of 2012, 2013, and 2014, the Debtors experienced net losses of approximately \$93.0 million, \$7.0 million, and \$47.8 million, respectively. In response to ongoing losses and other considerations, in June 2013, the parties to the JVA agreed to restructure the Joint Venture and certain debt and equity instruments of the Debtors. Again, in November 2014, the parties to

the JVA agreed to further restructure certain debt and equity instruments of the Debtors and entered into an addendum to the JVA (the "JVA Addendum") to document the restructuring. In connection with that restructuring, the parties to the JVA and the UK Principals agreed to effectuate a controlled wind-down of the Debtors' trading book. In addition, Francolin, a limited company incorporated under the laws of the Cayman Islands ("Francolin") and one of the investors in the \_\_\_\_Joint Venture, and Debtor Global Maritime Investments Holdings Cyprus Limited ("Slipway") entered into a credit agreement (the "Slipway Credit Agreement"). Pursuant to the JVA Addendum and the Slipway Credit Agreement, Francolin could make advances to Slipway under the Slipway Credit Agreement require that such advances were to be used by Debtor Global Maritime Investments Vessel Holdings PTE. Limited ("Vessel Holdings") to fund the acquisition and operation of dry bulk shipping vessels by subsidiaries of Vessel Holdings in furtherance of the Joint Venture. Subsequently, Francolin funded a series of advances to Slipway under the Slipway Credit Agreement.

- 10. Despite these restructuring efforts, in fiscal year 2015, the Debtors experienced a net loss of approximately \$67,570,939. The dry bulk shipping market in which the Debtors operate has been especially hard hit by the economic downturn. In June 2015, in an effort to increase revenue, the Debtors formed non-Debtor GMI Panamax Pool Limited ("Poolco"), a pooling entity into which the Joint Venture and other third-parties would contribute their vessels in a vessel pool structure. This required another amendment to the JVA, which was done with the consent of its members.
- 11. Despite the formation of Poolco, the Debtors' business has continued to suffer losses. The shipping industry is highly cyclical, with associated volatility in charter hire rates and profitability. Although charter rates were at record levels in 2007 and 2008, charter rates in recent

years in many sectors of the shipping industry have plummeted to decade-low levels as a result of an excess supply of ships. Under the pressure of extremely low charter rates for its vessels, the Debtors have faced difficulty in servicing their debt and funding operating expenses.

- 12. Since Slipway's entry into the Slipway Credit Agreement, Francolin declared that numerous defaults and events of default have occurred under the Slipway Credit Agreement, including events of default resulting from the substantial operating losses incurred by Slipway. Following these declarations of numerous and continuing defaults and events of default, in August 2015, Francolin informed Slipway that Francolin would no longer fund advances to Slipway under the Slipway Credit Agreement.
- 13. The Debtors filed these chapter 11 cases to wind down their businesses and operations and liquidate their assets in an orderly fashion.

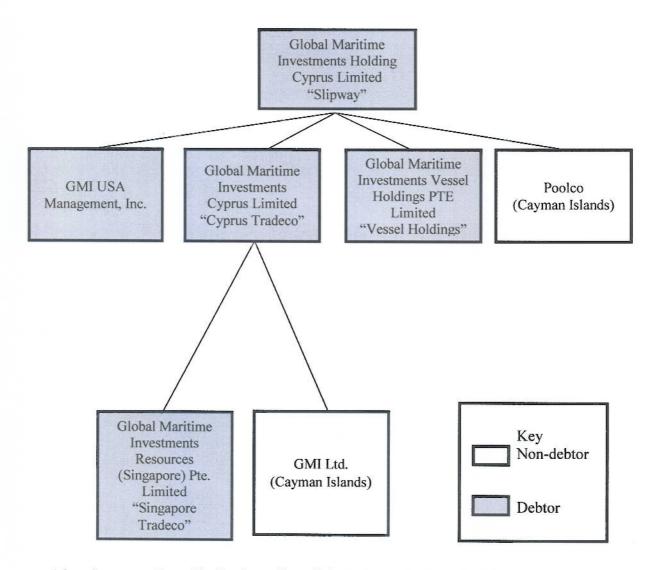
### CAPITAL STRUCTURE<sup>2</sup>

- 14. Slipway currently has 5,075,044 shares of common stock outstanding, split into three classes that rank *pari passu* in almost all respects. The shareholders of Slipway consist of Francolin (approximately 48%), Activity SA, a limited company incorporated under the laws of Panama ("Activity") (approximately 10%), and GMI Ventures LLP, a UK limited liability partnership (approximately 42%).
- 15. Slipway is a holding company that owns 100% of the outstanding shares of each of (i) Debtor GMI USA Management, Inc. ("US MgmtCo"), (ii) Debtor Cyprus Tradeco, (ii) Debtor Vessel Holdings, and (iv) non-Debtor Poolco. Cyprus Tradeco owns 100% of the outstanding shares of Debtor Global Maritime Investments Resources (Singapore) Pte. Limited ("Singapore")

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Nothing herein constitutes a concession or acknowledgment of any amount owed or as to the validity of any debt, claim or lien. In the event of any inconsistencies between the summaries set forth herein and the respective corporate and legal documents relating to such obligations, the descriptions in the corporate and legal documents shall control.

Tradeco") and non-Debtor GMI Ltd.<sup>3</sup> An organizational chart showing Slipway and its subsidiaries is shown in the following chart.

### Slipway Organizational Structure



In connection with the formation of the Debtors' business in 2011, the UK Principals 16. (and certain of their key personnel) established a new management company GMI Resources UK

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The financial information set forth in this Declaration excludes non-Debtors Poolco and GMI Ltd.

LLP ("UK Brokerage LLP")<sup>4</sup> to provide services to Slipway's subsidiaries and to third parties.

Prior to the Petition Date, UK Brokerage LLP provided management services to the Debtors.

#### Debt Structure

17. As of the Petition Date, the substantial majority of the Debtors' liabilities—in excess of \$169 million in principal amount—consisted of funded debt (*i.e.*, not trade debt or derivative liability) composed of the following: (a) the Tradeco Credit Facility (as defined below); (b) the Slipway Credit Facility (defined below); (c) the VIR Credit Facility (defined below); and (d) the ADM Credit Facility (defined below). These liabilities, which are described below, are unsecured obligations.

### A. The Tradeco Credit Facility

18. On August 17, 2011, Cyprus Tradeco, as borrower, Francolin as lender, and Slipway, as guarantor, entered into that certain amended and restated credit agreement (as entered on June 28, 2013 and amended on November 1, 2014, the "Tradeco Credit Agreement") with Francolin, as lender.<sup>5</sup> The Tradeco Credit Agreement provides for a \$90 million unsecured credit facility maturing on December 31, 2017 (the "Initial Tradeco Credit Facility"). The Initial Tradeco Credit Facility is divided into two tranches—a \$60 million Credit Line Commitment (as defined in the Tradeco Credit Agreement) and a \$30 million Additional Credit Line Commitment (as defined in the Tradeco Credit Agreement). As of the beginning of 2015, the entire \$90,000,000 available under the Initial Tradeco Credit Facility (the entire amount of the Credit Line Commitment and the Additional Credit Line Commitment) had been fully advanced and remains outstanding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Slipway holds a residual profits interest in UK Brokerage LLP.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The Tradeco Credit Agreement fully amended and restated an earlier credit agreement entered into by and among the same parties on August 17, 2011.

- 19. In early 2015, Francolin agreed to increase the amount available to Cyprus Tradeco under the Tradeco Credit Agreement by a total of \$10 million through two \$5 million advances, the first on January 15, 2015 (the "First Excess Funding Advance") and the second on February 26, 2015 (the "Second Excess Funding Advance," and together with First Excess Funding Advance and the Initial Tradeco Credit Facility, the "Current Tradeco Credit Facility"). These advances, which were documented by an Acknowledgement executed by Cyprus Tradeco, as borrower, and Slipway, as guarantor, are subject to individually specified interest rates and maturity dates but are otherwise subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Tradeco Credit Agreement. The First Excess Funding Advance matured on March 15, 2015, and the Second Excess Funding Advance matured on May 27, 2015. Slipway has not made any payments in respect of the First Excess Funding Advance or the Second Excess Funding Advance.
- 20. As of the date hereof, the full \$100 million<sup>6</sup> advanced to Slipway pursuant to the Current Tradeco Credit Facility remains outstanding plus accrued and unpaid interest. The rate of interest on the Credit Line Commitment is LIBOR plus 4% per annum on the first \$50 million borrowed and LIBOR plus 5% per annum on the additional \$10M borrowed. The rate of interest on the Additional Credit Line Commitment is LIBOR plus 6% per annum on the first \$10 million borrowed, LIBOR plus 7% per annum on the second \$10 million borrowed, and LIBOR plus 8% per annum on the third \$10 million borrowed. The rate of interest on the First Excess Funding Advance and the Second Excess Funding Advance is LIBOR plus 8% per annum.

### B. The Slipway Credit Facility

21. As noted above, on November 1, 2014, Slipway entered into the Slipway Credit Agreement, which provides for a discretionary \$135.77 million unsecured credit facility maturing

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> All references to outstanding amounts in this description of the "Capital Structure" reflect only the outstanding principal amount and do not include any other fees and/or claims which may exist.

on November 1, 2024 (the "Slipway Credit Facility"). The Slipway Credit Facility is divided into two tranches— a \$55.5 million Time-Charter Commitment (as defined in the Slipway Credit Agreement) and an approximately \$80.27 Vessel Holdings Commitment (as defined in the Slipway Credit Agreement). Based on the declarations of default described above, pursuant to the terms of the Slipway Credit Agreement, Francolin will not advance any amounts under the Slipway Credit Facility to Slipway.

- 22. Advances made under the Slipway Credit Facility accrue interest at a rate of either 12.5% or 15% per annum, depending on how the funds advanced are used by the Debtors. In addition, certain undrawn amounts under the Time-Charter Commitment accrue interest at a rate of 1% per annum.
- 23. As noted above, in August 2015, Francolin notified Slipway of its decision not to provide further funding to Slipway under the Slipway Credit Facility based on a number of factors, including the existence of events of default under the Slipway Credit Agreement. As of the date hereof, \$32,616,184 principal amount is outstanding under the Slipway Credit Facility plus accrued and unpaid interest.

### C. The Variable Interest Rate Debt

24. On June 28, 2013, Slipway, as borrower, and Francolin and Activity, as lenders, entered into that certain variable interest rate credit agreement (as amended on November 1, 2014, the "VIR Credit Agreement"). The VIR Credit Agreement provides for a \$36.825 million unsecured credit facility maturing on December 31, 2022 (the "VIR Credit Facility"). On June 28, 2013, as evidenced by two promissory notes issued by Slipway, Francolin and Activity advanced to Slipway the entire amount available under the VIR Credit Facility, of which Francolin advanced \$31,675,000 and Activity advanced \$5,150,000. As of the date hereof, \$36,825,000 principal amount remains outstanding under the VIR Credit Agreement.

### D. The ADM Credit Facility

25. On April 16, 2013, Cyprus Tradeco, as borrower, and ADM Investor Services International Limited ("ADM"), as lender, entered into that certain letter agreement (the "ADM Facility Agreement 1"). The ADM Facility Agreement 1 provides for a \$3 million unsecured credit facility ("ADM Credit Facility 1"), which is payable on demand. In addition, on October 22, 2013, Cyprus Tradeco, as borrower, and ADM, as lender, entered into that certain letter agreement (the "ADM Facility Agreement 2"). The ADM Facility Agreement 2 provides for a \$6 million unsecured credit facility (the "ADM Credit Facility 2," and together with ADM Credit Facility 1, the "ADM Credit Facilities"), which is payable on demand. Interest under the ADM Credit Facilities is charged on existing margin deficit at 2% above ADM's overnight cost of funds rate. The current balance of the ADM Credit Facilities is \$1,890,349. The ADM Credit Facilities have been used to close out exposure on the FFA trading book.

### E. The Debtors' Ships and Associated Chartering Liabilities

26. The Debtors charter ships from owners under a variety of long term charter agreements. Some of these are long term time charters, whereas others may be viewed as a form of secured financing. Those ships are then sub-chartered out to the Debtors' customers, generally on the spot market either on a voyage or time charter basis or used to service contracts of affreightment. Ship operating companies look to charter in ships at lower rates than are available on the spot market, and the Debtors sought to capitalize on this difference as part of their business model.

Currently, the Debtors have the following ships in their fleet:

CAPE CENTURY

CAPE NORTHVILLE

CAPE PROVIDENCE

CAPE SPENCER

DONG A ARTEMIS

**SUNRISE** 

**ECOSTAR GO** 

**EMS** 

GMI ATHINOULA

**GMI JANE** 

**INFINITY** 

**ISTRIA** 

JIA DA

JIA FOISON

**PRIMROSE** 

27. As of the Petition Date, the associated charter obligations exceed the value of the Debtors' interests in the ships in an undetermined amount.

### F. Other Assets

28. The remaining assets of the Debtors are cash, accounts receivable and, at the Slipway level, the investment in Poolco. The approximate values as of the Petition Date of those assets on a consolidated basis are approximately:

Cash

\$59,000

Accounts Receivable

2,657,068

Investment in Poolco

(undetermined)

29. The Debtors' other assets include an undivided interest in the retainers they have provided to their proposed counsel and financial advisors, as well as an interest in the funds an escrow account with Ropes & Gray LLP maintained with the Citibank N.A. in New York, New York, in connection with that certain Credit Agreement and that certain Escrow Agreement dated September 15, 2015 between the debtors and Francolin

#### First Day Motions

- 30. Following is a discussion of the First Day Motions the Debtors have filed, a brief summary of the relief sought in each, and my reasons for believing each is necessary and in the best interests of the estate.
  - A. Debtors' Motion for Order Directing Procedural Joint Administration of Affiliated Debtors Pursuant to Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 1015(b) -- (the "Joint Administration Motion").
- directing procedural consolidation and joint administration of these chapter 11 cases and (b) granting related relief. Given the integrated nature of the Debtors' operations, joint administration of these chapter 11 cases will provide significant administrative convenience without harming the substantive rights of any party in interest. Many of the motions, hearings, and orders in these chapter 11 cases will affect each and every Debtor entity. For example, virtually all of the relief sought by the Debtors in the First Day Motions is sought on behalf of all of the Debtors. The entry of an order directing joint administration of these chapter 11 cases will reduce fees and costs by avoiding duplicative filings and objections. Joint administration of the these chapter 11 cases, for procedural purposes only, under a single docket entry, will also ease the administrative burdens on the Court by allowing the Debtors' cases to be administered as a single joint proceeding instead of 5 independent chapter 11 cases.
- 32. I believe that the relief requested in the Joint Administration Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and all other parties in interest, and will enable the Debtors to continue to operate their businesses in chapter 11 without disruption.
- 33. Accordingly, on behalf of the Debtors, I respectfully submit that the Joint Administration Motion should be approved.

- B. Motion For the Entry of an Order Authorizing the Debtors to (A) File a Consolidated Creditor Matrix and (B) File a Consolidated List of the Debtors' 50 Largest Creditors –(the "Consolidated List Motion")
- 34. Pursuant to the Consolidated List Motion, the Debtors seek entry of an order authorizing the Debtors to: (1) file a consolidated creditor matrix in lieu of submitting separate matrices for each Debtor; and (2) file a list of the Debtors top 50 unsecured creditors on a consolidated basis. The Debtors operate as an integrated business entity, but some Debtors have only a small handful of creditors (e.g., a holding company with primarily mezzanine financing debt and a couple of nominal overhead creditors). Filing separate matrices and separate top 20 unsecured creditors lists would only serve to increase the administrative burden of providing the requisite notices to the Debtors' creditors and it would impede, rather than aid, the U.S. Trustee's efforts to appoint a representative creditors' committee. Maintaining a consolidated matrix and top 50 unsecured creditor list rather than preparing and filing separate matrices and top 20 lists will maximize efficiency and accuracy and reduce costs. Accordingly, on behalf of the Debtors, I respectfully submit that the relief requested in the Consolidated List Motion should be granted.
  - C. Motion For Entry of Interim Order and a Final Order (A) Authorizing the Debtors to Obtain Superpriority Post-Petition Financing and (B) Prescribing Form and Manner of Notice and Scheduling a Final Hearing For Entry of a Final Order (the "DIP Financing Motion")
- 35. Pursuant to the DIP Financing Motion, the Debtors request entry of an Interim Order and a Final Order (A) authorizing the Debtors to obtain superpriority post-petition financing and (B) prescribing form and manner of notice and scheduling a Final Hearing for entry of a Final Order. The Debtors have faced a number of financial challenges that placed a strain on their liquidity situation, all of which ultimately led to the filing of these Chapter 11 Cases. As described in more detail in the First Day Declaration, these challenges include, among others: (a) an extraordinary downturn in the Debtors' industry over the past three years, due in large part to

charter and spot rates that declined with the start of the global economic crisis, (b) increased competition, and (c) a substantial debt burden.

- 36. The Debtors' declining cash flows ultimately resulted in the Debtors being unable to service its long-term debt obligations in addition to its working capital needs.
- Thereafter, the Debtors engaged in discussions with its principal lenders in an attempt 37. to reach a consensual out-of-court restructuring. Ultimately, those efforts were unsuccessful, and the Debtors determined that a structured wind-down in a formal insolvency proceeding would be necessary. The Debtors and their advisors entered into extensive arm's-length negotiations with Francolin, their principal prepetition lender, regarding the terms of potential debtor-in-possession financing necessary to provide the Debtors with sufficient liquidity enact an orderly wind down though chapter 11 proceedings that would preserve the value of the Debtors business for creditors. During the negotiation process, the Debtors' financial advisors, in cooperation with the Debtors' professionals, reached out to several other prospective lenders to see if they would be willing to potentially provide post-petition financing. However, none of these other prospective lenders were willing to offer financing on an unsecured basis, and none were willing to offer financing on even roughly similar terms to those being offered by Francolin. The Debtors Board of Directors , in cooperation with the Debtors' advisors, determined that, because of the Debtors' limited assets in comparison to their outstanding debt no other lender would realistically offer financing on even roughly similar terms to those being offered by Francolin, and that allocating further resources to reaching out to potential lenders with no expectation of productive dialogue would only serve to detract from other restructuring tasks.
- 38. Without the proposed DIP Facility, the Debtors do not have sufficient cash or other available sources of working capital and financing to enact an orderly wind-down. Accordingly,

the Debtors urgently need access to the DIP Facility to continue to fund operations and pay management fees to UK Brokerage LLP to cover employees during the wind down, vendors, and to otherwise implement the Debtors' wind-down efforts.

- 39. The proposed DIP Facility (all pursuant to the DIP Budget) will provide the Debtors with sufficient funds to accomplish all of the tasks described above. The Debtors expect that the proposed DIP Facility will be sufficient to satisfy all administrative expense obligations that the Debtors reasonably expect to incur during the pendency of these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 40. Finally, the DIP Facility is the most favorable source of financing available to the Debtors at this time. The Debtors, in consultation with their advisors, have determined that it would not be possible to obtain financing (i) in the form of unsecured credit allowable under section 503(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) solely as an administrative expense under section 364(a)-(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, or (iii) solely in exchange for the grant of a superpriority administrative expense claim pursuant to section 364(c)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors have no known secured debt, and under the DIP Facility the DIP Lender receives senior priority liens only on unencumbered assets of the Debtors. To the extent that any of the Debtors' assets are subject to a perfected security interest, Francolin has agreed to accept a junior lien and does not seek to prime such prior perfected security interest holders, if any.
- 41. Accordingly, on behalf of the Debtors, I respectfully submit that the relief requested in the DIP Financing Motion should be granted.
  - D. Motion for an Order (i) Authorizing the Debtors to Pay or Honor Prepetition Obligations to Foreign Vendors, Service Providers, Governments, Maritime Lien Holders, and Certain Critical Vendors, and (ii) Authorizing Financial Institutions to Honor all Related Checks and Electronic Payment Requests (the "Critical Vendor Motion")

- 42. Pursuant to the Critical Vendor Motion, the Debtors request entry of an order authorizing the Debtors to (i) pay or honor prepetition obligations to foreign vendors, service providers, governments, maritime lien holders, and certain critical vendors, and (ii) authorizing financial institutions to honor all related checks and electronic payment requests. In their ordinary course of business, the Debtors rely on the Critical Vendors<sup>7</sup> to supply goods, materials and services without which the Debtors' business either could not operate or would operate at significantly reduced profitability. The Critical Vendors provide the Debtors with the following categories of goods and services:
  - (a) Agents' Expenses and Costs. Agents provide the crew with assistance in joining/signing off of the Vessels, including travel expenses. Moreover, they arrange for necessary ship provisions and repairs, and organize the supply, transport and the handling of goods. It is essential that the agents are paid so as not to disturb the smooth operations of the Vessels worldwide.
  - (b) Port Expenses. Numerous port expenses are accrued by the Vessels as they conduct their business throughout the world. Pilotage, docking masters, towage, mooring, tugs, harbor dues, tonnage dues, etc. are incurred in ports throughout the world. It is essential that such foreign debts be paid in order to ensure the Vessels can continue to conduct business in foreign ports of call.
  - (c) <u>Bunkers</u>. Bunker fuel is liquid fuel which powers the Debtors' Vessels. Bunker fuel is provided by local vendors in the applicable port at the time because it is necessary for such vendors to be in close physical proximity to the Vessels. It is essential to the locomotion of the Vessels that the Debtors maintain healthy relationships with those vendors who provide them with bunker fuel.
  - (d) <u>Insurance</u>. At least one of the Debtors' liability policies becomes due shortly after the Petition Date. The covered period includes the beginning of September. While the Debtors will attempt to negotiate a short period coverage, it may be necessary to pay the entire period.
  - (e) <u>Charter Hire Payments</u>. Under certain charters, the owner of the ship has the right to arrest cargo belonging to third party customers, thereby creating delay charges and possible cargo damage claims. In these circumstances

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Capitalized terms used in this Section \_\_\_\_\_ --Relief Sought In First Day Motions but not defined in this Declaration shall have the meaning ascribed to them in the relevant motion.

- damage claims can be avoided by payment of a legally due charter hire payment.
- (f) Ship Construction Supervision Charges. The Debtors are the charterers of several ships being built by third party owners for long term charter to the Debtors. Negotiations have been continuing for the Debtors to sell or assign its interests in these ships. Debtors' management believes that the Debtors may realize a profit if it can sell or assign those interests. Unpaid supervision charges could result in a complication or loss of any such sale or assignment.
- 43. The Debtors believe that the payment of the Critical Vendor Claims is vital to the Debtors' reorganization efforts. Critical Vendors are, in many cases, the only source or the most preferred source from which the Debtors can procure certain goods and services within a timeframe and at a price that will permit the Debtors to continue to smoothly operate their businesses. A failure to pay the Critical Vendor Claims would likely result in many of the Critical Vendor refusing to provide goods and services to the Debtors postpetition and may force the Debtors to obtain such goods and services elsewhere at a much higher price or in a quantity or quality that is insufficient to satisfy the Debtors' requirements. This could, in turn, diminish the recoveries available to other creditors.
- 44. A vendor may be the exclusive or preferred supplier of products or services to the Debtors for a number of reasons. In some cases, it may be the case that the only way that the Debtors are able to purchase products or services in quantities of the desired amount is through a particular vendor in a particular port.. It is vital for the charterers of the Vessels to arrive and leave ports on time in order to meet their shipping obligations. In other cases, the Debtors have an established relationship with one vendor, and there is simply no available supply from any other vendor or the time and expense of sourcing another vendor in a timely and cost effective manner. In other instances, due to preferred pricing from existing business relationships, procuring a particular supply of a certain product from an alternative source would be too expensive.

- 45. Absent the ability to pay certain prepetition amounts owed to Critical Vendors, the Debtors may be denied access to certain ports, and their access to necessary goods and services would be extinguished as the Critical Vendors will refuse to continue doing business with the Debtors or may only do business if the Debtors provide trade term accommodations such as advance deposits or payment prior to delivery.
- 46. Most importantly, and unique to maritime cases, any Critical Vendor which supplies the Debtors' Vessels with goods or services that could be considered "necessaries" as that term is understood under the maritime laws of the U.S. and most jurisdictions<sup>8</sup> may claim a maritime lien against the Debtors' Vessels. Maritime liens are "secret liens" in that a lien claimant need not take any steps to attach or perfect its lien. Any such claimant could seek to attach and arrest the respective Debtor vessel should it come to port. Moreover, even if a vendor is not entitled to a lien, it may seek to attach a ship, its cargo or its bunkers, for example under Rule B of the U.S. Admiralty Rules of Procedure.
- 47. While the automatic stay is likely to provide protection from such attachment and arrest with regard to American vendors, there is no guarantee that international companies outside this Court's jurisdiction will respect the power of Bankruptcy Code § 362, especially as the Vessels enter ports all over the world. Some of these jurisdictions may eventually recognize the automatic stay of United States bankruptcy law, but only after considerable delay and considerable effort on the part of the Debtors, all the while the Debtors could be losing revenue, as well as their reputation for timely delivering cargo. Of course, other jurisdictions are unlikely to ever recognize United States bankruptcy law.

<sup>8</sup> The Debtors make no admission as to the nature of any claim or lien against any vessels based on necessaries, and reserve all rights with regard to same.

- 48. Since the Critical Vendors may arguably be secured creditors and may have the ability to arrest the Debtors' Chartered Vessels in foreign ports around the world, it is in the best interests of all parties to satisfy the Critical Vendor Claims of foreign vendors as described herein.
  - E. Motion for an Order (i) Authorizing Continued Use of Existing Business Forms and Records, (ii) Authorizing Maintenance of Existing Corporate Bank Accounts and Cash Management System, and (iii) Waiving the Requirements of Bankruptcy Code § 345(b) (the "Cash Management Motion")
- 49. Pursuant to the Cash Management Motion, the Debtors request entry of an order (i) authorizing continued use of existing business forms and records, (ii) authorizing maintenance of existing corporate bank accounts and cash management system, and (iii) waiving the requirements of Bankruptcy Code § 345(b). Prior to commencing the Chapter 11 Cases, in the ordinary course of their businesses, the Debtors used a Cash Management System to efficiently collect, transfer, and disburse funds generated by their business operations.
- 50. The Debtors respectfully request authority to maintain their bank accounts and the Cash Management System in accordance with their usual and customary practices to ensure a smooth transition into chapter 11 with minimal disruption to operations and, in connection therewith, seek a waiver of the requirements of Bankruptcy Code § 345(b). The Debtors also request authority to close any of their bank accounts if, in the exercise of their business judgment, the Debtors determine that such action is in the best interest of their estates.
- 51. In order to conduct their postpetition business, the Debtors need to be able to issue checks to vendors, service providers, and others. Additionally, their bank accounts are maintained with financial institutions that are financially stable.
- 52. To open new accounts and obtain checks for those accounts will cause delay and disruption to the Debtors' business and a delay in receipt of funds needed for the Debtors' operations.

- 53. The Debtors' Cash Management System constitutes an ordinary course, essential business practice providing significant benefits to the Debtors including, among other things, the ability to (i) control funds, (ii) ensure the availability of funds when necessary, and (iii) reduce costs and administrative expenses by facilitating the movement of funds and the development of more timely and accurate account balance information. Any disruption of the Cash Management System could have a severe and adverse impact upon the Debtors' reorganization efforts.
- 54. The relief requested in this motion is vital to ensuring the Debtors' seamless transition into bankruptcy. Authorizing the Debtors to maintain their Cash Management System, as modified, will avoid many of the possible disruptions and distractions that could divert the Debtors' attention from more pressing matters during the initial days of these chapter 11 cases.
- 55. The Debtors seek a waiver of the Guidelines' requirement that they open a new set of books and records as of the Petition Date. Opening a new set of books and records would create unnecessary administrative burdens and hardship and would cause unnecessary expense, utilization of resources, and delay. The Debtors, in the ordinary course of their business, use many invoices, stationery, and other business forms. By virtue of the nature and scope of the business in which the Debtors are engaged and the numerous other parties with whom they deal, the Debtors need to use their existing business forms without alteration or change. Printing new business forms would take an undue amount of time and expense. Accordingly, on behalf of the Debtors, I respectfully submit that the relief requested in the Cash Management Motion should be granted.
  - F. Motion for the Entry of an Order Enforcing the Protections of Sections 105, 362, 365, and 525 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Stay Enforcement Motion")
- 56. Pursuant to the Stay Enforcement Motion, the Debtors request entry of an order enforcing the protections of Sections 105, 362, 365, and 525 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors' business operations are conducted worldwide with significant assets moving through international

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waters at any given time. As a result, the Debtors have many foreign creditors and counterparties to contracts who may not be well versed in the restrictions of the Bankruptcy Code. Many of these creditors do not transact business on a regular basis with companies that have filed for chapter 11, or are unfamiliar with the scope of a debtor in possession's authority to conduct its business. These creditors may be unfamiliar with the operation of the automatic stay and other provisions of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 57. Thus, various interested parties may attempt to seize assets located outside of the United States to the detriment of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, or take other actions in contravention of the automatic stay of Bankruptcy Code § 362. In addition, upon learning of the Debtors' bankruptcy, counterparties to leases and executory contracts may attempt to terminate those leases or contracts pursuant to *ipso facto* provisions in contravention of Bankruptcy Code § 365. Further, governmental units may seek to revoke or otherwise limit grants to which the Debtors are entitled based on the Debtors status as debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases, in contravention of Bankruptcy Code § 525.
- 58. Though I am advised by proposed counsel for the Debtors that the automatic stay, *ipso* facto, and non-discrimination protections, are fundamental aspects of the Bankruptcy Code that arise as a matter of law upon the commencement of a chapter 11 case, in my experience I know that not all parties affected or potentially affected by the commencement of a chapter 11 case are aware of the aforementioned Bankruptcy Code provisions. Nor are all parties cognizant of the significance and impact of these provisions. Experience has shown that it is often necessary to advise third parties of the existence and effect of the automatic stay, the invalidation of *ipso facto* provisions, and the prohibition against discriminating against a debtor in bankruptcy solely because of its debtor status, particularly in cases in which the debtor conducts significant business

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in foreign jurisdictions. Occasionally, it is necessary to commence proceedings in the bankruptcy

court to enforce these provisions. Accordingly, it is not uncommon for a bankruptcy court to issue

an order embodying and restating the provisions of Bankruptcy Code §§ 362 and 365.

59. Accordingly, on behalf of the Debtors, I respectfully submit that the relief requested in

the Stay Enforcement Motion should be granted.

G. Motion to Schedule Expedited Hearing and to Limit Notice of Certain "First Day"

Matters - (the "First Day Scheduling Motion")

60. Pursuant to the First Day Scheduling Motion, the Debtors request entry of an order

scheduling an expedited hearing and limiting notice of certain "first day" matters. Expedited

consideration of the First Day Matters is critical to the maintenance of the Debtors' estates. The

Debtors presently lack sufficient liquidity to support their operations. In fact, the Debtors have

almost no cash with which to operate. The Debtors need expedited consideration of the First Day

Matters in order to meet current operating expenses, including, without limitation, insurance, fuel,

docking fees, lease, and UK Brokerage LLP obligations. Without expedited consideration of the

First Day Matters, the value of the Debtors' assets could be negatively affected. Accordingly, on

behalf of the Debtors, I respectfully submit that the relief requested in the First Day Scheduling

Motion should be granted.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1746 (1) I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the

United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on this 15 day of September 2015.

Justin Knowles

## EXHIBIT A COMMITTEES ORGANIZED PREPETITION

• N/A - no committees

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Following is the list of the debtor's creditors holding the 50 largest unsecured claims. The list is prepared in accordance with Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(d) for filing in this chapter 11 [or chapter 9] case. The list does not include (1) persons who come within the definition of "insider" set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 101, or (2) secured creditors unless the value of the collateral is such that the unsecured deficiency places the creditor among the holders of the 50 largest unsecured claims. If a minor child is one of the creditors holding the 50 largest unsecured claims, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See 11 U.S.C. § 112; Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m).

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complete mailing address	mailing address, including zip code, of	(trade debt, bank	contingent,	secured, also state
including zip code	employee, agent, or department of creditor	loan, government	unliquidated,	value of security]
	familiar with claim who may be contacted	contract, etc.)	disputed, or subject to	ruine of security
			setoff	
Draco Shipping PTE Ltd	Draco Shipping PTE Ltd	Contractual		2,600,000.00
80 Robinson Rd #02-00	80 Robinson Rd #02-00			, ,
Singapore 068898	Singapore 068898			
SINGAPORE	SINGAPORE			
2 Beach Rd.	Pegasus Shipping PTE Ltd 2 Beach Rd.	Contractual		2,600,000.00
Singapore 199589 SINGAPORE	Singapore 199589 SINGAPORE			
ADM Investor Services	ADM Investor Services Limited	Trade Debt		
Limited	4th Fir Millennium Bridge Hous	Trade Debt		1,890,349.57
4th Fir Millennium Bridge	2 Lambeth Hill London EC4V 3TT			
House	UNITED KINGDOM			
2 Lambeth Hill London				
EC4V 3TT				
UNITED KINGDOM			()	
OW Supply & Trading	OW Supply & Trading	Trade Debt		1,620,745.81
Stigsborgvej 60, PO Box	Stigsborgvej 60, PO Box 215		1	1,020,740.01
215	Norresundby,DK9400		1	
Norresundby,DK9400	DENMARK		T I	
DENMARK				
Dynamic Oil Trading (S)	Dynamic Oil Trading (S) Pte Ltd	Trade Debt		663,120.84
Pte Ltd	600 North Bridge Rd			
600 North Bridge Rd	#11-09/10 Parkview Sq			
#11-09/10 Parkview Sq	SINGAPORE			
Singapore 188778				
SINGAPORE	EDF Trading	<del>  </del>		
EDF Trading 80 Victoria St.	80 Victoria St.	Trade Debt		464,887.50
Cardinal Place, 3rd Flr	Cardinal Place, 3rd Flr			
London, SW1E 5JL	UNITED KINGDOM			
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Southport Agencie Inc 2700 LakeVilla Dr. Ste. 180 Metairie, LOUISIANA 70002	Southport Agencie Inc 2700 LakeVilla Dr. Ste. 180 Metairie, LOUISIANA 70002	Trade Debt		357,798.75
Calisto Trading Inc Trust Co Complex, Ajeltake Rd Ajeltake Island Majuro, MH96960 MARSHALL ISLANDS	Calisto Trading Inc Trust Co Complex, Ajeltake Rd Ajeltake Island MARSHALL ISLANDS	Trade Debt		341,891.84
Chimbusco Europe BV Weena 280 Weena 200 Bldg 8th Flr Rotterdam, 3012 NETHERLANDS	Chimbusco Europe BV Weena 280 Weena 200 Bldg 8th Fir NETHERLANDS	Trade Debt		330,201.00
Jia Foison Shipping Co., Ltd 7 FIr, EIB Cenre 40 Bonham Strand Hong Kong HONG KONG	Jia Foison Shipping Co., Ltd 7 Fir, EIB Cenre 40 Bonham Strand HONG KONG	Trade Debt		264,175.00
Gard P&I (Bermuda) Ltd PO Box 789 Stoa Arendal,NO-4809 NORWAY	Gard P&I (Bermuda) Ltd PO Box 789 Stoa Arendal,NO-4809 NORWAY	Trade Debt		258,447.45
Mardinik Shipping Co. Ltd C/O Sealestial Navigation Co 3, Xanthou Str., Glyfada Athens 166 74 GREECE	Mardinik Shipping Co. Ltd C/O Sealestial Navigation Co 3, Xanthou Str., Glyfada GREECE	Trade Debt		217,528.40
Kumiai Navigation (Pte) Ltd 1 Raffles Place #27-62 Singapore 48616 SINGAPORE	Kumiai Navigation (Pte) Ltd 1 Raffles Place #27-62 Singapore 48616 SINGAPORE	Trade Debt		213,728.37
lfchor SA Place Pipanet 1 Laussane,CH-1003 SWITZERLAND	Ifchor SA Place Pipanet 1 Laussane,CH-1003 SWITZERLAND	Trade Debt		193,586.72

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including zip code	employee, agent, or department of creditor	loan, government	unliquidated.	value of security]
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			setoff	
D/S Norden AS	D/S Norden AS	Trade Debt		190,956.38
Strandvejan 52	Strandvejan 52			
Hellerup, DK-2900	Hellerup, DK-2900			
DENMARK	DENMARK			
Arrow Chartering UK Ltd	Arrow Chartering UK Ltd	Trade Debt		159,809.88
Octavia House, 1 The Blvd	Octavia House, 1 The Blvd			
Imperial Wharf	Imperial Wharf			
London, SW6 2UB	UNITED KINGDOM			
UNITED KINGDOM		<b>_</b>		
Southport Agencie Inc	Southport Agencie Inc	Trade Debt		139,429.26
2700 LakeVilla Dr. Ste. 180	2700 LakeVilla Dr. Ste. 180			
Metairie, LOUISIANA 70002	Metairie, LOUISIANA 70002			
Gains Inc	Gains Inc	Totale Date		100 100 00
Banco Aliado Bldg,	Banco Aliado Bldg, Ricardo Arias St	Trade Debt		137,487.36
Ricardo Arias St	Panama		1	
Panama	REPUBLIC OF PANAMA			
REPUBLIC OF PANAMA	REPOBLIC OF PARAMA	1		
Jia Da Shipping Co., Ltd	Jia Da Shipping Co., Ltd	Trade Debt		134,827.23
7 Fir, EIB Cenre 40	7 Fir, ElB Cenre 40	Trade Debt		134,027.23
Bonham Strand	Bonham Strand			
Hong Kong, Hong Kong	Hong Kong, Hong Kong		i 1	
Cosco Bulk Carriers Co.,	Cosco Bulk Carriers Co., Ltd	Trade Debt		129,106.58
Ltd	Tianjin Ocean Shipping Mansion			120,100.00
Tianjin Ocean Shipping	No. 1 Ocean Plaza, Hebei District			
Mansion	Tianjin, 300010			
No. 1 Ocean Plaza, Hebei	P.R. China			
District				
Tianjin, 300010				
P.R. China				
Aegean Breeze Shipping	Aegean Breeze Shipping Ltd	Trade Debt		94,697.40
Ltd	913 Gulf Breeze Pkwy #20			
913 Gulf Breeze Pkwy #20,	Gulf Breeze, FL 32561			
Gulf Breeze, FL 32561				

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including zip code	employee, agent, or department of creditor	loan, government	unliquidated.	value of security1
8 1	familiar with claim who may be contacted	contract, etc.)	disputed, or subject to	, and of occur my
		,	setoff	
Thurlestone Shipping	Thurlestone Shipping (Singapore) Pte	Trade Debt		93,598.32
(Singapore) Pte Ltd	Ltd			
15-97 The Central	15-97 The Central			
8 Eu Tong Sen St.	8 Eu Tong Sen St.			
Singapore 059818	Singapore 059818			
Singapore	Singapore			
F.H. Bertling Chartering &	F.H. Bertling Chartering & Ship	Trade Debt		87,547.40
Ship Management	Management			
1 Magazine Rd #03-03	1 Magazine Rd #03-03			
Singapore 59567	Singapore 59567			
Singapore	Singapore			
Agencia Maritime Nabsa	Agencia Maritime Nabsa S.A.	Trade Debt		86,524.23
S.A.	Av. Paseo Colon 728, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor			
Av. Paseo Colon 728, 4 <sup>th</sup>	C1063ACU Buenos Aires			
Floor	Argentina			
C1063ACU Buenos Aires				
Argentina				
M/S Mercator Lines	M/S Mercator Lines (Singapore) PTE	Trade Debt		74,020.17
(Singapore) PTE Ltd	Ltd			
8 Temasek Blvd	8 Temasek Blvd			
#07-02 Tower Three,	#07-02 Tower Three, Suntec City			
Suntec City	Singapore 38988			
Singapore 38988	Singapore			
Singapore				
MUR Shipping BV	MUR Shipping BV	Trade Debt		70,671.58
World Trade Ctr	World Trade Ctr Amsterdam			
Amsterdam	Tower H, Zuidplein 164			
Tower H, Zuidplein 164	Amsterdam 1077 XV			
Amsterdam 1077 XV	Netherlands			
Netherlands				
Pacific Bulk Cape	Pacific Bulk Cape Company Ltd	Trade Debt		66,587.30
Company Ltd	Shun Tak Ctr, Sheung Wan			
Shun Tak Ctr, Sheung	Hong Kong, Hong Kong			
Wan				
Hong Kong, Hong Kong				

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including zip code	employee, agent, or department of creditor	loan, government	unliquidated,	value of security]
	familiar with claim who may be contacted	contract, etc.)	disputed, or subject to	
			setoff	
Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha,	Kawasaki Kisen Kaisha, Ltd.	Trade Debt	***	62,373.33
Ltd.	lino Blvd., Uchisaiwaicho 2-1-1			,
lino Blvd., Uchisaiwaicho	Tokyo, Chiyoda-Ku 100-0011	1		
2-1-1	Japan			
Tokyo, Chiyoda-Ku 100-		1		
0011		1		
Japan				
Moore Stephens LLP	Moore Stephens LLP	Trade Debt		54,429.65
150 Aldersgate Street	150 Aldersgate Street	1		
London EC1A 4AB	London EC1A 4AB	1		
United Kingdom	United Kingdom			
Bunge S.A.	Bunge S.A.	Trade Debt		52,145.46
13 Route de Florissant	13 Route de Florissant			
Geneva 12, 1211	Geneva 12, 1211			
Switzerland	Switzerland			
Norvic Shipping North	Norvic Shipping North America Inc	Trade Debt		47,600.00
America Inc	SSQ Place, 110 Sheppard Avenue			
SSQ Place, 110 Sheppard	East, Suite #309			
Avenue East, Suite #309	PO Box 6			
PO Box 6	Hong Kong, Hong Kong			
Hong Kong, Hong Kong				
Waterfront Shipping &	Waterfront Shipping & Trading Ltd	Trade Debt		47,411.19
Trading Ltd	Universal House, 88-94 Wentworth St			
Universal House, 88-94	London E1 7SA			
Wentworth St	United Kingdom	*		
London E1 7SA				
United Kingdom				
Pacnav SA Panama, C/o	Pacnav SA Panama, C/o Pacnav de	Trade Debt		41,362.09
Pacnav de Mexico, S.A. de				
C.V.	Rio Mayo # 1477			
Rio Mayo # 1477	Col. Vista Hermosa, Cuervanaca,			
Col. Vista Hermosa,	Morelos CP 62290			
Cuervanaca, Morelos CP	Mexico			
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Mexico			1	

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Hong Kong Grace Shipping Co., Ltd. C/O Speedlink Transport Ltd, 30A Tower 10, Sputh Horizons Hong Kong, Hong Kong	Hong Kong Grace Shipping Co., Ltd. C/O Speedlink Transport Ltd, 30A Tower 10, Sputh Horizons Hong Kong, Hong Kong	Trade Debt		40,951.12
E.A. Gibson Shipbrokers Ltd Audrey House, 1-20 Ely Place London, EC1P 1HP United Kingdom	E.A. Gibson Shipbrokers Ltd Audrey House, 1-20 Ely Place London, EC1P 1HP United Kingdom	Trade Debt		40,724.16
Monson Agencies Pte Ltd 1 Fifth Ave Guthrie House #03-14 Singapore 268802 Singapore	Monson Agencies Pte Ltd 1 Fifth Ave Guthrie House #03-14 Singapore 268802 Singapore	Trade Debt		40,521.98
Bancosta (UK) Ltd 78 Cornhill London, EC3V 3QQ United Kingdom	Bancosta (UK) Ltd 78 Cornhill London, EC3V 3QQ United Kingdom	Trade Debt		37,282.45
Sulnorte Servicos Maritimos Ltda Rua Antonio Francisco Vianna 58, Ilha da Madeira Itagui 23821280 Brazil	Sulnorte Servicos Maritimos Ltda Rua Antonio Francisco Vianna 58, Ilha da Madeira Itagui 23821280 Brazil	Trade Debt		31,527.00
Simpson Sence Young Lloyds Chambers, 1 Portsoken St. London E18PH United Kingdom	Simpson Sence Young Lloyds Chambers, 1 Portsoken St. London E18PH United Kingdom	Trade Debt		24,180.85
China Shipping (HK) Marine Inc 32/FI., China Merchants Tower Shun Tak Ctr 168-200 Connaught Rd C. Hong Kong	China Shipping (HK) Marine Inc 32/FI., China Merchants Tower Shun Tak Ctr 168-200 Connaught Rd C. Hong Kong	Trade Debt		21,585.22

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Bay-Houston Towing Co	Bay-Houston Towing Co	Trade Debt		20,607.49
2243 Milford	2243 Milford			
PO Box 3006	PO Box 3006			
Houston, TX 77253-3006	Houston, TX 77253-3006			
ICAP Shipping Ltd Dry	ICAP Shipping Ltd Dry Cargo	Trade Debt		20,498.89
Cargo Chartering	Chartering			
2 Broadgate	2 Broadgate			
London, EC2M 7UR United Kingdom	London, EC2M 7UR			
Freight Investor Services	United Kingdom Freight Investor Services Ltd	Trade Debt		42.050.50
Ltd	80 Cannon St.	Trade Debt		13,952.52
80 Cannon St.	London, EC4N 6HL			
London, EC4N 6HL	United Kingdom			
United Kingdom	omtou ranguom			
D. Oltman (Hamburg)	D. Oltman (Hamburg)	Trade Debt		13,079.58
Dienerreihe 2	Dienerreihe 2	Trade Book		10,070.00
Hamburg, 20457	Hamburg, 20457			
Germany	Germany			
ADM Intermara a division	ADM Intermara a division on ADM	Trade Debt		11,753.07
of ADM internti	Internti			•
A One Business Center	A One Business Center			
La Piece 3, Hong Kong	La Piece 3, Hong Kong	l)		
Hong Kong	Hong Kong		-	
Bernhard von Blomberg	Bernhard von Blomberg	Trade Debt		11,357.23
Bellevue 6	Bellevue 6			
Hamburg, 22301	Hamburg, 22301			
Germany	Germany	Total Dist		10.001.00
Maersk Broker (UK) Ltd	Maersk Broker (UK) Ltd	Trade Debt		10,864.58
New Loom House, Ste 1.03 101 Back Church Lane	New Loom House, Ste 1.03 101 Back Church Lane			
London E1 1L1	London E1 1L1			
United Kingdom	United Kingdom			
LBH Australia Pty Ltd	LBH Australia Pty Ltd	Trade Debt		10,058.13
Ste 403, St Thomas House	Ste 403, St Thomas House	Trade Debt		10,000.13
781 Pacific Highway	781 Pacific Highway			
Chatswood NSW 2076	Chatswood NSW 2076			
P.O. Box 5550	P.O. Box 5550			
West Chatswood NSW	West Chatswood NSW 1515			
1515	Sydney, Australia			
Sydney, Australia				

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Moore Stephens (Limassol) Ltd. Ariel Corner, 1 <sup>st</sup> Flr., Office 101 196 Arch, Makarios Ave. Limassol CY-3316 CYRPUS	Moore Stephens (Limassol) Ltd. Ariel Corner, 1 <sup>st</sup> Flr., Office 101 196 Arch, Makarios Ave. Limassol CY-3316 CYRPUS	Trade Debt		\$9,165.23
Raffles Shipping Group 315 Outram Rd. #09-05 Tam Boon Liat Bldg. Singapore V6C 2G8 SINGAPORE	Raffles Shipping Group 315 Outram Rd. #09-05 Tam Boon Liat Bldg. Singapore V6C 2G8 SINGAPORE	Trade Debt		\$8,477.36

## EXHIBIT C CONSOLIDATED LIST OF TOP FIVE SECURED CLAIMS

• N/A no known secured claims

## EXHIBIT D SUMMARY OF CONSOLIDATED ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets and Liabilities	Amount
Total Assets	Estimated \$2.7 – \$6 million
Total Liabilities	Estimated \$170 – \$250 million

## EXHIBIT E SUMMARY OF PUBLICLY HELD SECURITIES OF THE DEBTORS

• N/A—no publicly held securities

## $\frac{\text{EXHIBIT F}}{\text{SUMMARY OF DEBTORS' PROPERTY HELD BY THIRD PARTIES}}$

• N/A—No known property held by third parties

## EXHIBIT G SUMMARY OF DEBTORS' PROPERTY HELD BY THIRD PARTIES

- 21 Whitefriars Street, London, UK EC4Y 8JJ Leased
- Level 8, 81 Anson Road, Singapore 079908 Leased
- 2 Nikidimou Street, Athens, Greece Leased
- 20 Avenue de Fontvieille, 9800 Monaco Leased

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## LOCATION OF DEBTORS' SUBSTANTIAL ASSETS, BOOKS AND RECORDS, AND NATURE AND LOCATION OF DEBTORS' ASSETS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES

- Location of books and records:
  - o 21 Whitefriars Street, London, UK EC4Y 8JJ
  - o Level 8, 81 Anson Road, SINGAPORE 079908
- Assets outside the United States
  - The majority of the Debtors' assets are located outside the United States. These assets principally consist of equity interests in certain subsidiaries, cash held in accounts in HSBC Bank PLC, Piraeus, SBC Bank PLC, Fleet Street, London, and Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation Limited, and interest in charters of the following vessels:

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Vessel Name	Build	Flag
	year	
Cape Century	2001	Singapore
Cape Northville	2010	Marshall Islands
Cape providence	2010	Panama
Cape Spencer	2010	Marshall Islands
Dong A Artemis	2011	Panama
Sunrise	2011	Bahamas
Ecostar	2007	Marshall Islands
EMS	2001	Marshall Islands
GMI Athinoula	2012	Marshall Islands
GMI Jane	2015	Singapore
Infinity	2010	Malta
Istria	2013	Singapore
Jia Da	2010	Hong Kong
Jia Foison	2010	Hong Kong
Primrose	2001	Italy

## EXHIBIT I SUMMARY OF IMMINENT LEGAL ACTIONS AGAINST THE DEBTORS

o N/A no known imminent actions or seizures.

## EXHIBIT J DEBTORS' SENIOR MANAGMENT

### **Panayiotis Kontos:**

Has worked for GMI since inception in 2006 and is currently the Group Managing Director. His role has been to assess and approve physical chartering transactions. Also he has used his experience to negotiate long term asset deals including the related finance.

#### **Stuart Rae**

Has worked for GMI since inception in 2006. He is a senior partner in GMI Resources UK LLP. His role is focussed on sourcing, negotiating and managing the longer term charters and vessel asset purchases.

#### **Steve Rodley**

Has worked for GMI since inception in 2006. He is a senior partner in GMI Resources UK LLP. His role is focussed on managing the freight trading, specifically the short term charters and freight forward hedging.

#### Paul Barbour

Has worked for GMI since inception in 2006. Is a Senior Partner within GMI Resources UK LLP and manages the finance department. His role includes implementing financial controls and reporting.

#### Kathryn Murtagh

She has been a Group Director for 2 years. As legal counsel for Harvard Management Company she is in place to monitor and protect HMC's investment (via Francolin Limited) in GMI. She has no day to day role in the management of GMI.

#### Philippos Philippou:

He has been a Director of several companies in the Group, including the Holding company since 2011. He is a non-executive Director and brings his great experience of Cyprus and Shipping law to the Group.

#### **Tom Oliphant:**

Tom is a Junior Partner within GMI Resources UK LLP and has worked for the Group since 2014. He is the internal legal counsel with specific focus on shipping disputes and insurance coverage.

### **EXHIBIT K** DEBTORS' PAYROLL FOR THE 30 DAY PERIOD FOLLOWING THE PETITION **DATE**

- Payments to employees (not including officers, directors, and stockholders): \$25,833
   Payments to officers, directors, and stockholders: \$0
- o Payments to financial and business consultants: \$205,000

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# <u>EXHIBIT L</u> DEBTORS' ESTIMATED CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE THIRTY DAY PERIOD FOLLOWING THE FILING OF THE CHAPTER 11 PETITION

Type	Amount	
Cash Receipts	\$4,841,255	
Cash Disbursements	\$4,230,293	
Net Cash Flow	\$610,962	